

Dear FCC,

I am part of UNICEFs emergency telecoms unit. We prepare for and respond to emergencies on a global level, from earth-quakes in south America to draught in Southern Africa. We are also in such places as Afghansitan and Iraq. Our operations rely to a large extent on HF and VHF two-way radio for our operational and security communications.

The discussed "Access BPL" broadband over power lines, described as operating in the 2 to 80MHz range, will most probably have a huge impact on the noise levels on the HF and lower VHF bands. It should be expected that if tsuch a system is put in place in the US, chances are other countries will follow. To us this could mean that the next time we have an Iraq-type operation our neighbours across the street, or next door, might be running a broadband data system right in the middle of our security radio network.

Kindly take every caution to avoid that such might happen, by turning down the power companies request for authorization.

Thanks,
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